Village of Cold Spring

Board of Trustees Workshop

December 15, 2014

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held a workshop on Monday, December 15, 2014 at 7:00 PM at the Cold Spring Fire Company, 154 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

Attending were Mayor J. Ralph Falloon, Trustees Bruce Campbell, Stephanie Hawkins, Michael Bowman, and Cathryn Fadde.

A motion was made by Trustee Fadde to move to executive session for the purpose of **interviewing** for the position of interim **Village attorney**. Trustee Bowman seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The candidates for interim Village attorney were Lou Lewis and Paul E. Denbaum from Lewis and Greer PC of Poughkeepsie, and Judith Crelin Mayle and Daniel Petigrow from Thomas, Drohan, Waxman, Petigrow and Mayle, LLP of Hopewell Junction. Whoever is selected as interim attorney for the Village may also apply for the full time position with an RFP.

Trustee Bowman made a motion to exit the executive session and return to an open meeting workshop. This was seconded by Trustee Fadde and was accepted with a unanimous vote. The discussion of the interim attorneys will take place December 16, 2014 at the Village Hall.

Trustee Bowman made a motion to move **the Review of the contract with the Town of Philipstown for fire protection** to tomorrow night's agenda. December 16 will be the monthly meeting of the Village Board as it was postponed from December 9, 2014 due to inclement weather. Trustee Hawkins seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Stephen Smith, Assistant Chief of the **Cold Spring Fire Company** and head of the building committee, presented architectural drawings for a **new fire house** provided, at no cost, by Keith Scofield of Liscum, McCormack and VanVoorhis LLP, of Poughkeepsie. Mr. Scofield designed the Fishkill Fire House. The rendering showed a three floor brick building rising 48 feet, with a bell tower adding another 12 feet to the height of the building totaling 60 feet.

The plans show three floors with a mezzanine for some additional space that comes to 19,458 square feet. The present fire house has less than 5,000 square feet. The plans include a partial basement (possibly a full basement); first floor - truck storage, decontamination area and laundry room; second floor - ready room, exercise room, showers and computer facilities; and the third floor - meeting room with the capacity of 130 people, an industrial kitchen and bathrooms. There will also be an elevator that is mandatory.

The cost that was stated was about \$320 per square feet for an approximate total of \$6-7 million dollars. This cost does not include the demolition of the present building, the off-site storing of equipment and a construction trailer.

At an earlier meeting for a new fire house last year, it was suggested that McConville Park (the same parcel that Tots Park is on but in front facing Route 9D) would be an ideal site. It is flat, easy access and less congestion than there is on Main Street. However, at that meeting, the public made it known that they prefer the fire house to remain on Main Street. To the suggestion of McConville Park, Trustee Bowman asked if it would be less expensive to build it on a flat site. Mr. Smith said it would cost about

\$3-4 million at that location in part because it is a larger lot and could accommodate a building on one floor. Also, there would be no demolition of the present building and there would be no need to store the equipment off site. If the Village would sell the present building, that could go towards the cost of the new building.

At the end of the presentation/discussion, Mayor Falloon said that the CSFC has to decide what they want to present to the public with a public hearing.

Mayor Falloon feels that the **Recreation Commission** should be in charge of the docking of vessels. After a discussion among the Board members, it was decided to get the Commission's input on the law as written and the application form and go from there.

The **Request for Proposal** (RFP) was agreeable to all Board members for the search of a full time attorney for the Village replacing Michael Liguori who resigned December 5, 2014. Trustee Hawkins made a motion to send out the RFP this week with a return date of February 6, 2015. Trustee Fadde made a second to Trustee Hawkins' motion and with a unanimous vote, the motion was carried.

There will be **no meeting** for the Board of Trustees on December 23, 2014. However, Tuesday, December 30, 2014 will be left open for a meeting if it is determined to be necessary.

Mayor Falloon entertained a motion to hold a **Village Holiday Party** on Friday, January 9, 2015 at the Cold Spring Fire House with details to be determined. Trustee Hawkins made a motion to have a Village holiday party at the Cold Spring Fire House on January 9, 2015. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fadde and was carried with a unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned with a motion from Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee Fadde and carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully

Sandra L. Falloon